BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF THE SOUTHWEST TRANSMISSION COOPERATIVE, INC., OR ITS ASSIGNEES,

FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY FOR THE SWTC AND CAP

JOINT PROJECTS CONSISTING OF THREE ELEMENTS: (1) A NEW SINGLE-CIRCUIT 115 KV TRANSMISSION LINE CONNECTING SWTC'S NEW 115 KV LINE NEAR NORTH LOOP SUBSTATION (CASE NO. 149) TO THE EXISTING RATTLESNAKE SUBSTATION

AND UPGRADE OF THE RATTLESNAKE SUBSTATION TO ADD A SWITCHYARD; (2) A NEW DOUBLE-CIRCUIT 115 KV

TRANSMISSION LINE FROM THE EXISTING

SANDARIO SUBSTATION TO THE EXISTING CAP TRANSMISSION LINE; AND (3) A NEW

SINGLE-CIRCUIT 115 KV TRANSMISSION

LINE CONNECTING THE EXISTING VALENCIA SUBSTATION TO THE CAP TRANSMISSION LINE AT SPREADER TAP

AND EXPANSION OF THE VALENCIA SUBSTATION TO ADD A SWITCHYARD

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Docket No. L-00000CC-09-0543-00152

Case No. 152

NOTICE OF HEARING

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee") regarding the Application of Southwest Transmission Cooperative, Inc. ("Applicant") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility authorizing the North Loop to Valencia Project ("Project") in Pima County, Arizona. The hearing will be held at the Omni Tucson National Resort, 2727 West Club Drive, Tucson, Arizona 85742. The hearing shall begin at 9:30 a.m. on February 8, 2010 and continue at 9:30 a.m. on February 9, 2010, if necessary. The hearing will adjourn at approximately 5:00 p.m. Additional hearing days, if

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necessary, will be noticed on the Project and Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC") websites. The Applicant's Project website can be found at www.southwesttransmission.coop. The ACC website is: www.azcc.gov/AZ Power Plant/LineSiting-Calendar.asp.

PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN DURING THE HEARING AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE.

The Project consists of three elements. The first element consists of approximately 4.9 miles of new 115 kV transmission line from a structure just north of the existing TEP North Loop Substation to the existing Western Area Power Administration Rattlesnake Substation. The route parallels either the existing TEP 46 kV or the WAPA 115 kV line along its entire route. The second element consists of a new, one-mile-long double-circuit 115 kV transmission line connecting the existing Sandario Substation and the existing CAP 115 kV transmission line. The final element consists of about 2.7 miles of a new single-circuit 115 kV transmission line connection from the existing Valencia Substation to the existing CAP transmission line.

Complete maps, along with more detailed textual descriptions of the proposed routes, are available in the Application itself and on the Project website. The Application, including detailed maps of the proposed Project, is on file with the Docket Control Center of the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

Depending on the issues raised and the number of intervenors appearing during the hearing, the Committee may deem it appropriate at some point to recess the hearing to a time and place to be 1 2

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announced during the hearing, or to be determined after the recess. These dates and places will be posted on the Project and ACC websites. At the discretion of the Committee, such resumed hearings may be held at a date, time and place designated by the Committee or its Chairman.

NOTE: NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING WILL BE GIVEN. PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING IS NOT REQUIRED.

Each county and municipal government and state agency interested in the proposed Project and desiring to become a party to the proceeding, shall, not less than ten (10) days before the date set for hearing, file with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, a notice of its intent to be a party.

Any domestic, non-profit corporation or association, formed in whole or in part to promote conservation of natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health or other biological values, to preserve historical sites, to promote consumer interests, to represent commercial and industrial groups or to promote the orderly development of the area in which the Project is to be located and desiring to become a party to the certification proceeding, shall, not less than ten (10) days before the date set for hearing, file with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, a notice of its intent to be a party.

The Committee or its Chairman, at any time deemed appropriate, may make other persons parties to the proceedings.

Any person may make a limited appearance at the hearing by filing a statement in writing with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, not less than five (5) days before the date set for hearing. A person making a limited appearance shall not be a party or have the right to present testimony or crossexamine witnesses.

This proceeding is governed by Arizona Revised Statutes ("A.R.S.") §§ 40-360 to 40-360.13 and Arizona Administrative Code Rules R14-3-201 to R14-3-220 and R14-3-113. No substantive communication, not in the public record, may be made to any member of the Committee. The written decision of the Committee shall be submitted to the Arizona Corporation Commission pursuant to A.R.S. § 40-360.07. Any person intending to be a party before the Arizona Corporation Commission must be a party to the certification proceedings before the Committee.

Hon. John Foreman, Chairman

Transmission Line Siting Committee

Arizona Power Plant and

Assistant Attorney General

DATED this 1st day of December.